Extension granted under first proviso to F.R. 56 (d):

2004

(1) Shri Dhirendra Swarup, Secretary, Department of Expenditure – 3 years beyond 60 years of age *i.e.* from 01.01.2005 to 31.03.2005. He has been holding the post of Secretary since 26.11.2003.

(2) Shri Dipak Chatterjee, the then Secretary, Department of Commerce – 3 months beyond 60 years of age *i.e.* from 01.07.2004 to 30.09.2004. He had held the post of Secretary since 21.11.1997.

Monitoring of schemes

1791. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Prime Minister Office is keeping tap or monitoring the schemes sponsored by Ministries in various States;

(b) if so, the details of the schemes which are being implemented as per schedule; and

(c) if not, the efforts to be taken to monitor such schemes in PMO?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M. V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise in view of (a).

(c) The implementation of Centrally sponsored Schemes in the States is monitored by the Ministries concerned of the Government.

Increase in employment opportunities

1792. SHRI LALITBHAI MEHTA:
SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that increased rate of growth and economic development has no corresponding increase of jobs in the country;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to increase job opportunities for rural and semi-urban areas of the country; and

(c) the rate of increase in employment during 1991–2000 and 2001–04 in organized sector and unorganized sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V.RAJASEKHARAN): (a) The rates of growth of GDP and employment, measured on CDS basis, during the period 1993-94 to 1999-2000 were 6.6% and 1.07% per annum, respectively.

(b) Growth rate of employment in the Tenth Plan period (2002–07) is projected at 2.70% per annum.

(c) The rate of growth of employment in the organized sector and the unorganised sector, taken together, as computed from NSSO surveys were 2.70% per annum during the period 1983 to 1993-94 and 1.07% per annum during the period 1993-94 to 1999-2000.

Increase in consumer prices

†1793. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards the gap between annual growth rate and annual increase in consumer price index in the country during the current financial year as on date;

(b) if so, the details of the gap; and

(c) the estimate regarding the likely impact on the economy of the country due to this gap?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V.RAJASEKHARAN): (a) and (b) According to the Advance Estimates of National Income for the year 2004-05 released by the Central Statistical Organisation , the rate of growth of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) at current market prices is likely to be12.6 per cent. There is no single indicator for monitoring the increase in Consumer Price Index. There are three different categories of general consumer Price Index *viz.* the Consumer Price Index for Industrial Workers (CPI-IW), consumer price index for agricultural labourers (CPI-AL) and consumer price index for Urban Non-Manual Employees (CPI-UNME). The incease in prices for these three categories

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.